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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
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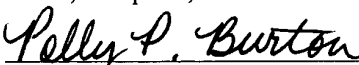
In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated February 4, 2002, enclosed are the following:

- ☒ Part 2 of Formalities Letter or Form PTO-1533  
(Notice to File Missing Parts of Application)
- ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above-identified application which has  
been executed by the named inventor(s)
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status
- ☒ Check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the \$130.00 surcharge under 37  
C.F.R. § 1.16(e)
- ☐ English Translation and \$130.00 (37 CFR 1.17(k)) fee for filing late.
- ☐ Other:

Any additional fee or credit may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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